

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

In response to the informalities identified in the Office Action relating to the conversion of pounds to kilograms, the text in Paragraph [0076] is hereby removed and replaced with the following:

**[0076]** In many embodiments, the apparatus is portable, and can be easily carried and transported. For example, in a nail polish shaker embodiment of the apparatus 10, even a small woman would be able to easily pack the apparatus 10 into a travel bag, and use the apparatus 10 in her hotel room. In other embodiments, such as industrial paint shaking embodiments, portability may be less important and the apparatus 10 may as a result be less portable. In one consumer-oriented embodiment, the apparatus will weigh 8 lbs. 12 oz. (approximately 3.9689 kg) with the container holder, and 7 lbs. 10 oz. (approximately 3.4586 kg) without the container holder. The cover for the apparatus 10 in such an embodiment weighs 2 lbs 3 oz. (approximately 0.9922 kg). In other consumer-oriented embodiments (particularly in such contexts as nail polish shakers where portability can be important), it can be desirable for the apparatus 10 to weigh approximately 15 lbs (6.8039 kg) or less.